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Photo by Matthew Desrosiers

Edwin Vlasics, 7, does his best cowboy impression on a mechanical bull at the Haliburton County Fair. See story and pictures on pages 16 and 17.

Volunteers to require police checks

By Lisa Harrison
 Contributing writer

The third time is the charm.

Algonquin Highlands has implemented its first volunteer policy following three draft trips to council.

The policy is a comprehensive document that includes a code of ethics, a confidentiality agreement, social media guidelines and the establishment of a criminal record check for all volunteer board and committee members.

As such, it has been a labour of care for

staff and council in trying, as the policy describes it, to "balance the interests of the community, the volunteers and the township by ensuring that these interests are clearly defined and agreed upon."

Reeve Carol Moffatt called development of the policy part of "an ongoing series of housekeeping items" by current council and administration staff, and of regular policy reviews and updates.

Angie Bird, chief administrative officer, oversaw the policy development and said municipal policies from across the province were reviewed with a final focus on rural

municipalities. The criminal record check, which Bird said is standard in the majority of policies, is intended to help address vulnerable sectors such as children, the elderly and persons with disabilities.

The criminal record check proved to be a stumbling block. Even as councillors prepared to approve the policy on its third and final draft, Deputy-reeve Liz Danielsen raised concerns about how existing volunteers would feel about the check.

"I understand all the reasons for [the policy] and everything that's included in it," said Danielsen, acknowledging a "real

requirement for police checks" for volunteers.

"[However] I wonder if some of our volunteers are going to feel like this is a slap in the face. Some of them have been with us for a long time and all of a sudden you're saying 'you need a police check.'"

"I think we have so many volunteers who are already conducting themselves in this manner anyway, I think most of them will just say 'Yeah, whatever,'" said Moffatt.

Ultimately council agreed the township will apply the criminal record check only to new applicants.

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Policy covers social media, confidentiality

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The policy describes the township's encouragement of citizens to volunteer and its recognition of volunteers' commitment and contributions. It outlines what the township will provide, including orientation, training and/or materials and liability insurance against third-party claims.

The policy also outlines what is not provided, including auto liability coverage and coverage by the Workplace Safety and Insurance Board (WSIB), which does not provide coverage for volunteers.

Volunteers are required to follow conflict of interest guidelines and a "deliberative privilege" rule that states, in part, "volunteers, whether they are in favour or opposed to a recommendation shall support the position of the board or committee once a consensus is reached."

Volunteers are encouraged to refrain from communicating about the township on social media. If they do, they must ensure the posting is accurate and consistent with the township's information, clearly disclose their affiliation with the township and state that the views expressed are their own.

The policy ends with a declaration that covers both the nine-point code of ethics and the four-point confidentiality agreement.

Bird said the policy will be distributed to committees by department heads on those committees and requested councillors do the same for any committees that do not include staff.

The township is now the second municipality in the county to have a volunteer policy after Minden Hills, which also included a criminal record check in their policy.

Stolen truck turns up in Hamilton

By Mark Arike
Staff writer

Although Hamilton police recovered a stolen Dysart work truck on Aug. 9, the investigation into the theft continues.

"We have not had any leads from Crime Stoppers on this yet," said Constable Paul Potter, community services officer for the Haliburton Highlands OPP. "Do we know who did this? Well, we always have an idea who might be responsible but until we have evidence or grounds to support this then we cannot make an arrest."

The one-ton work truck was stolen from the municipal building sometime between July 3 and 4. According to Brian Nicholson, director of public works, the thief, or thieves, broke into the building and stole the keys to the truck once inside.

The unoccupied truck was recovered behind an apartment building complex in Hamilton. Nicholson travelled to Hamilton on Aug. 15 to pick up the truck.

"It's actually in very good condition,"



Photo by Mark Arike

A truck similar to this one, but white in colour, was stolen from the Dysart municipal building in July. It was recovered in a parking lot in Hamilton on Aug. 9.

he said. "They had spray painted over all the identifying marks on it... it's yet to be known whether or not we can get that paint off. So we might be into some paint work here and there, but nothing Earth-shattering."

The theft of the truck created a significant inconvenience for the municipality, said Nicholson.

"It would certainly be nice for them to catch somebody."

The OPP is asking that anyone with information contact the Haliburton Highlands Detachment at 705-286-1431. Those who would like to remain anonymous should call Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477) or visit www.khcs.ca.

Tips provided to Crime Stoppers are eligible for a cash reward of up to \$2,000.

MINDEN FOOD BANK

The Disaster Flood Relief Committee has reached its fundraising target. The Minden Food Bank has been assisting those in need since this all took place in April, and is still doing so. Anyone wishing to still contribute to flood relief can donate to the Minden Food Bank and all contributors will receive a tax receipt at the end of the year.

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Photo by Mark Arike

Algonquin Highlands residents gathered at the Stanhope Airport to learn more about the MNR's new fire headquarters.

Public gets close look at MNR fire HQ plans

By Mark Arike
Staff writers

Members of the public had the opportunity to learn more about the Ministry of Natural Resources' (MNR) plans for a new fire management headquarters during an open house held at the Stanhope Airport on Aug. 17.

"It's just a great day to show the plans," said Carol Moffatt, reeve of Algonquin Highlands.

"Please make sure you keep in touch with the project. It will be very public as we go through the process. We're not putting shovels in the ground tomorrow... but we'll see how it goes and we'll be a couple of years at this project."

MP Barry Devolin attended the event to congratulate the township on the relocation project.

"I'm glad to see the project moving forward," said Devolin, who recalled the original runway expansion project – which was set to receive over \$2.2 million from the Building Canada Fund.

"About five years ago, the federal government together with the provincial governments came up with a program to improve infrastructure across the country to generate economic activity and jobs," he said. "This project has been in the works for that period of time, but it's still alive, it's still moving forward and so I'm pleased that we will be able to

bring some of those federal and provincial dollars back here to Algonquin Highlands."

MPP Laurie Scott said it was "very exciting" to see the plans for the new fire headquarters.

"The pictures and the plans look wonderful... and the opportunity kind of leaps out from the photos there," said Scott.

MNR representatives Mike Monzon and Chris Cuthbertson attended the open house to help answer the public's questions.

"We're very happy to be here," said Monzon, who is the facilities infrastructure coordinator. "This benefits the MNR for our program and our operation."

Cuthbertson said the MNR has outgrown its current facility in Haliburton.

"It's really exciting for us to have a nice facility, a modern facility, that will meet our operational needs as we move forward," said Cuthbertson, who is the fire management supervisor.

Township staff and members of Algonquin Highlands council also attended Saturday morning's event.

On July 26, Joe Dickson, MPP for Ajax-Pickering and parliamentary assistant to the MNR, attended a press conference at the airport to announce the \$12.2 million relocation project. The project is part of \$47 million in funding from the federal government.

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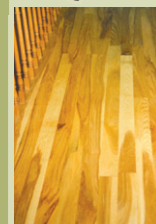
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Editorial opinion

Time flies

I did a double-take on my way into work the other day.

I was driving down the highway, enjoying the scenery (as I always do), when I caught a flash of yellow among the deep greens of the woods around me.

As I looked more closely, I could see more and more of these early fall leaves, eagerly waiting for their chance to drop to the forest floor below.

It wasn't until a kilometre or two later that it hit me: it's already nearing the end of August. Where has the summer gone?

Time flies when you keep track of it by what part of the news cycle you're in. Summer is the busiest time of year for us, as it is for most businesses around here. Instead of having time to relax on the dock, I'm in the car running around the county for one event or another.

It's a fun job, but it's like watching the summer go by in fast forward.

When my father was in town last weekend, I made sure to have some time off to spend with him. Sitting on the deck at the back of the house, tucked in among the trees, we sat sipping our morning coffee listening to the birds sing.

It was a rare moment of peace for me, as it was for him. Dad's face was calm, and you could tell he appreciated the isolation for a change. He lives in Ottawa, so it's not something he's used to.

I'm slowly coming to understand that sometimes we just have to stop working, worrying or stressing. Otherwise, you never get to enjoy those calm moments. It's important to take

time and do what makes you happy and gives you peace, and I know I don't do that enough.

I love the bush, but I don't spend any time there. Swimming? I'm not sure anything beats jumping off a dock, but I can't tell you the last time I was in the water. I have a wonderful partner at home that I don't spend nearly enough quality time with because there's always something that needs to be done, whether it's chores, work, or both.

And of course, there's my family in Ottawa that I haven't visited since Christmas because that was the last time I took the time to travel.

Those are the things that make me happy, but I get caught up in all the other things that I think are important, only to find out later they really aren't. Unfortunately, it happens all-too-often that you're missing out on something great and by the time you realize it, you've lost your chance.

I know that's happened to me once before. I thought I had learned my lesson, only to find myself reliving past mistakes.

My dad went home, I went to work, and on my way I saw that leaf changing colour. It told me I had missed most of the summer, but even worse, that I'm missing so much more.

Life's too short not to stop once in awhile for the things that are really important to you. Don't let all your time fly by.



By Matthew Desrosiers

Papers please!

When I moved to the Netherlands in 1994, one of my first tasks was to attend an immigration interview with the local police. It was probably my first time inside a police station anywhere.

How odd, I thought, to be meeting with police when one hasn't committed a crime. Odd, and slightly disturbing in a country that just decades ago was able to assist in the deportation and murder of millions thanks to meticulous public record-keeping which helpfully indicated (and still does) the religion of every resident. Data's great, until it's in the wrong hands, and then it's not.

The problem with state oppression is that nobody expects it to smile and say *have a nice day*. While we clearly recognize shouting PAPIERE in German as an indication that a particular government may have overstepped the boundaries of democratic propriety, hearing the same demands in our own language, often combined with such emotionally-charged lexical ornaments like "security" and "safety" lulls us into a dangerous passivity. One by one, we give up the rights for which citizens have fought and died for centuries until, like the proverbial frog in the pot of water, we're cooked.

One of those rights is to live one's life unmolested by government so long as one follows the law. In the last decade however, our brushes with governments have become systematically and relentlessly more intrusive, in everything from meaningless car emission tests to the elaborate performance that is now airport security. Consistent with this descent from the free, thinking people we Canadians once were, albeit in a small way, is the recent contribution of Algonquin Highlands to our growing security state in the form of a criminal background check policy for its volunteers.

CAO Angie Bird says criminal checks are "standard" for municipalities. True, when policies are implemented without challenge, year after year, yes, eventually they become standard. That doesn't make them right. *Everyone else is doing it* is something you'd expect to hear from a kid caught smoking, not from lawmakers trying to justify policy. Deputy-reeve Liz Danielsen adds that she understands the "real requirement" for police checks. Really? What is that *real* requirement? Has there been a crime wave among volunteers? Somebody should tell the newspapers.

The checks, we are told, are to protect "the community" from those who would harm children and seniors. Nobody can argue with that objective, which is why it is always employed, but we can certainly argue with the means and their effectiveness, considering 80 to 90 per cent of child and elder abuse is committed by family members and friends, not strangers and not municipal volunteers. Let's also not forget that every criminal at one time had no record; a clean report is no guarantee of future behaviour. And how do we get from protecting kids and seniors to screening volunteers who plant gardens?

What I find most disturbing about

criminal record checks is that they take the job of assessing good character away from the community and put it in the hands of the police. The police, and governments in general, have not always shown themselves to be competent, or even law-abiding. What error rate on certifying who is a criminal and who is not are we prepared to accept?

Because in Britain last year, it was discovered that almost 20,000 people had been incorrectly branded by the police as criminals in background checks. That's 20,000 people liable to be denied employment or turned down for volunteer work. So much for having nothing to worry about if you have nothing to hide.

What the push for criminal record checks demonstrates is a profound lack of confidence in our own judgment. We're terrorizing ourselves with what *could* happen instead of working on what *is* happening. We are blowing remote risks out of all proportion, to the point we have replaced freedom and openness with fear and suspicion. Even to express scepticism about this hysteria is to invite accusations of radical thinking (being soft on the volunteer terrorists?), a risk Ms Danielsen was perhaps trying to avoid by buffering her concerns with the obligatory pledge of allegiance to security requirements.

And so we have municipalities, like Minden Hills, afraid to sanction events because of potential lawsuits, and volunteers afraid of working with children because the slightest misunderstanding could instantly ruin a reputation, a career, a family or a life. How is this protecting the community?

We do not protect the community by instilling fear and paranoia into our relations with each other. We do not protect it by deciding we do not trust our own judgment, or that of employers and other members of the community (formerly known as references), to assess the characters of our workers and volunteers. We do not protect our community by encouraging governments to keep files on citizens.

It's time for volunteers and the rest of us to say no to these constant efforts to replace the trust on which strong communities are built with evermore authoritarian oversight. If an organization can't trust you to help with its bookkeeping or deliveries without a background check, perhaps it's too afraid of shadows to do anything of substance. What ever happened to having the courage of our convictions?

If we never push back, we will continually be pushed backwards by those who would replace reason with reaction. With each new measure, we stack the woodpile upon which future tyrants may draw to incinerate our freedoms. Our ignorance of history is leading us to the always-catastrophic error of putting too much trust in those with power. Such terrified creatures we've become.

Have a nice day.



By Bram Lebo

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Letters to the editor

Leaderless

Dear editor,

We haven't got good leadership in our Minden Council (see No comment from Reid as Minden council takes a stand, The Highlander issue 94, pg. 2). The lot of them seem incompetent and unable to do an effective job. You can tell this by the constant bickering that goes on, by their lack of taking the bull by the horns and accepting the fact that they are often at fault – not those who are lodging often long lists of legitimate criticisms and complaints. Look at how they so often point fingers at one another, at the media, at their firing employees when there's a problem! This is no evidence of leadership here; there are only marks of young children.

Their excuse is that there is much harassment, intimidation and verbal abuse. That this has been and continues to be a problem of our municipality – that this not acceptable nor will it be tolerated – it must stop! Shades of Soviet Commissars in the Ministry of Propaganda! Spare me! We live in a free democracy; within reason we can say what we like, when we like.

A good leader can lead from any position of the pack. A good leader can handle criticism and learn by its constructive nature. A good leader heeds the wants and needs of his followers and does his utmost to listen and try diligently to meet those wants and needs. A leader doesn't have to explain himself with excuses, indulge others with blame, snipe at his lieutenants, his employees. A leader leads by example and accepts responsibility – even when it seems unfair or unwarranted. A leader is visible to his followers, he listens to them, tries most conscientiously to understand, to heal, to learn what does not seem apparent.

Failing that, an axiom leaps to mind from my father: If you can't take the heat – get out of the kitchen!

Eddie Burke
Minden

— Bored by billboards

Maybe it's because there's less wild space in England. There's not as much room between villages and towns, and so not as much chance to appreciate real countryside, by which I mean the uninterrupted miles of forest, marsh, lake and bush that we are afforded here in Haliburton County. But then again, maybe it's because I don't recall the rural roadsides being littered with advertising hoardings in England.

What little signs there are between inhabited places on the island that I come from are almost all managed and manicured by man. They are farmers' fields – crops and cattle pasture – gardens of large rural estates, or, in a few places, semi-wild lands that are designated national parks. Any which way, none of them are blighted by roadside signage proclaiming the excellence of local landscaping firms, contractors, restaurants or grocery stores. But here, in the wonderful wilderness that abounds in rural Ontario, you are met by such signs around almost every majestic sweeping curve that you drive.

"Look Daddy, a crab," shouts Little Z from the back seat. I'm dumbfounded because we're thousands of miles from the nearest beach, and, while I told him to look out for

Animal saviour

Dear editor,

Having just read Jen Semachs letter to you with regards to Zaiden the very lucky dog that Jen finally managed to track, I can't think of a better person for that lucky dog to have been taken home by (see Happy ending for lucky dog, The Highlander issue 96, pg. 5).

My husband and I happened to see her on a walk with all three of her dogs, including Zaiden, not long after she had taken him home. He did look like he was quite a handful, but knowing how dogs respond to her, she will no doubt have warmed Zaiden up into another one that will make a wonderful pet.

Jen happens to do some "dog walkies" for us, as we have two large goldens. They adore her, and why not? She treats them with so much respect and love, I know they are in caring hands.

Isn't it too bad that there are those out there like the people who just dumped off Zaiden and left him to probably get killed on Hwy 35 or just starve to death. Shame on you.

A final note about Jen (who also gives her time as a Minden volunteer firefighter): a few months ago she was out on Bobcaygeon Road when a number of baby ducks happened to be crossing that road by the River Cone. Following behind their mother duck they were suddenly a little spooked and ran in all directions. The babies ended up going down a manhole. Well Jen with her great strength lifted that cover off on her own and fished them all out. My husband was driving by and was about to help out, but she had already saved the day.

Thanks so much Jen for all you do for our animals in and around Minden. You surely are a true animal lover, and from all the other animal lovers around you here's a couple of woofs and a few quacks!

Lynda Hahn
Minden

Photo of the week



Photo by Walt Griffin

This wolf was spotted in the woods near Gelert.

Thanks for another great fair

Dear editor,

I wanted to express my sincere thanks to the Haliburton County Fair Board and all the volunteers who worked tirelessly to make this year's fair one of the best! It was great to have all the exhibitors, entertainers and activities for the kids and all free of charge! The organizers and volunteers did a fantastic job! I myself had the great opportunity to

take part in the classic car show and people's choice and spent a great day chatting with all the classic car owners and visitors through the car show area. I wanted to say thank you as well to all the folks who brought their classics out for all of us to see and I hope to see you all again next year.

Neil Graham
Minden

The Outsider



By Will Jones

golden arches in the next town.

When I'm on any journey I almost always know where I'm going and what I'm going for. A 10' by 20' sign advertising the new big box store in Minden is not going to make me screech to a halt and change my plans. A sign telling me all about pest control isn't going to jog my memory about the infestation of cockroaches in the basement. If I had cockroaches in the basement I'd need no reminding about them. My lovely wife would have done that multiple times before I even left the house and I'd have taken steps to sort out the problem (the bugs not the wife) well before I was tootling off on some adventure in cottage country.

And that's what I don't get. These signs, do they really attract more business? If I want to find a pest control expert, a restaurant, contractor or gift shop I go online and Google information on my destination, I ask friends, I turn to the phonebook and flick through multiple listings. It's so much easier, and, quite a lot safer than trying to read the phone number, address or turning that I should take to the aforementioned crab restaurant while traveling at 80 kilometres per hour (how dare you assert that I drive faster than the

designated speed limit).

These signs are out-dated, old school and of little relevance in the 21st century. In a previous time, an era now long gone, yes, the billboard was a good vehicle to get your message out there. But in this age of phones that can find you the nearest tattoo studio, doughnut shop or massage parlour in the blink of an eye, a good website or Facebook page is far superior to a pile of two by fours and three sheets of decorated plywood.

I guess what I'm trying to say (it's my job to spin simple stuff like this out over half a page, honest) is let's stop crowding our pristine countryside with big ugly billboards. Let's keep the thing that we love, and which draws the tourists that many of us depend upon to the area, looking great. Our nature and wilderness is our greatest asset and advertisement, so Joe, I don't care if I make you even more crabby when I say take down your crusty old sign and stop ruining my beautiful Haliburton Highlands countryside.

Highlander opinions

Eye on the street: *Should all volunteers need police background checks?*



Allyson Smith

Barrie

No. If you are working with the elderly we need to know that you will not hurt them and the same with the handicapped and the very young.

Brenda Glazier

Nestleton

I am a hockey volunteer and I do believe police checks should be done but not every year. For anybody working with disabled, young and old there certainly should be a check.



Paul Morin

Minden

No. You have to have faith in people and if you are running an organization we should have some internal checks. If you are working with youths or seniors it is a good idea.

Sheila McDonald

Haliburton

Yes, because we do not want the wrong people working with our children and those that are vulnerable.



Sheldon Kingscone

Toronto

Yes I think all volunteers should be checked as we never know who you we're getting to help with so many groups.

Photos and interviews by Walt Griffin

Residents win delay of zoning bylaw in AH

By Lisa Harrison
Contributing writer

A recent public meeting to review the Algonquin Highlands comprehensive zoning bylaw was packed, but many attendees said more would have attended if they had received sufficient notice.

"There has been some concern about what appears to be the short amount of notice in this process," said Reeve Carol Moffatt at the Aug. 15 meeting.

"[Notice] went out to the lake associations, website, newspaper, radio, so sufficient notice has been met, but I think because there's been that delay it's fallen off the radar for a lot of people, including us a little bit," she said.

Moffatt attributed the delay to scheduling conflicts on the part of planning consultant Planscape Inc. and said a second public meeting has been scheduled for Sept. 19 to provide more time for public input.

The comprehensive zoning bylaw covers residential, commercial, industrial and miscellaneous zones such as environmental protection. Two public meetings were held last year and comments from the public and various associations have been considered.

Council discussions at the August meeting were limited to three of the more controversial topics: dock length, minimum lot size in rural residential (RR) zones, and outdoor furnace setbacks.

Planscape had recommended a maximum dock length of 15 metres in case a new width restriction on shoreline structures prompted residents to make their docks longer instead.

"From the comments that I've heard there is a lot of concern about restricting the length of docks," said Liz Danielsen, deputy-reeve. "Obviously there's a huge concern about the lakes where the water levels are very low and this restriction would mean some people wouldn't get to their docks."

Danielsen proposed removing the restriction and councillors agreed.

In the case of RR lot sizes, the township may end up changing its official plan minimum of five acres to match the current bylaw minimum of one acre rather than

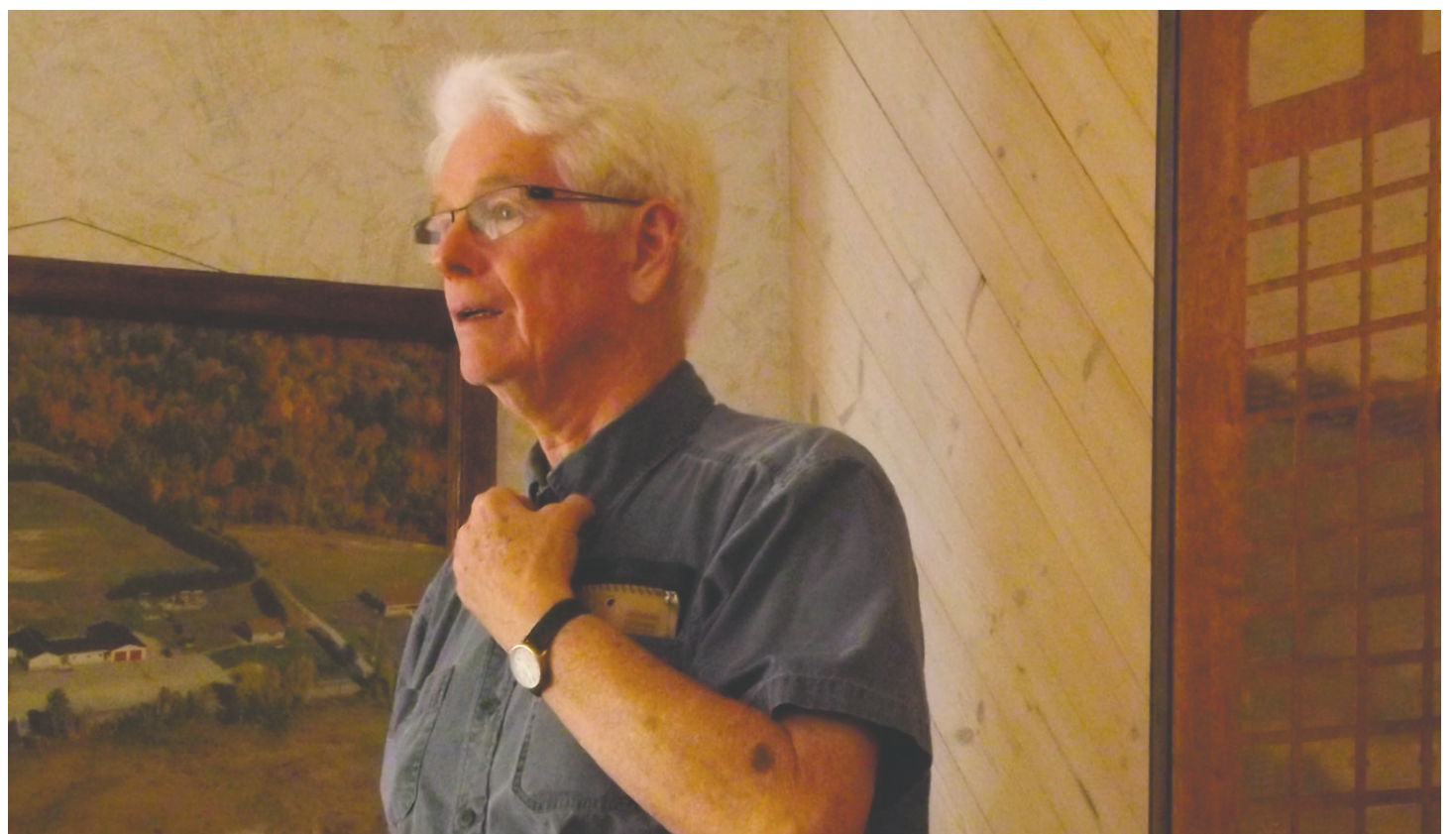


Photo by Lisa Harrison

Boskung Lake resident Jim Cochlin addresses council at an Algonquin Highlands public meeting.

the reverse. Councillors talked about many potential residents being unable to afford the larger lot, and the loss of tax revenue due to reduced settlement. They elected to wait for public consultation next month to make any change.

The new provision for outdoor wood-burning furnaces is intended to ensure proper installation and adequate separation from abutting properties. Councillors noted this setback would prohibit outdoor furnaces on many smaller properties and agreed to wait for public comment before making a change.

The floor was then opened to the gallery, where visitors spoke about proposed new shoreline structure restrictions in general and dock restrictions in particular. Several complained about a restriction against building permanent docks on township-

owned shoreline allowances, noting that many seniors are uncomfortable with the permitted floating docks for safety reasons.

However, the hottest topic among visitors and in the several letters from residents read aloud by the clerk was insufficient notice of the meeting and even of the process itself.

"Everyone I speak with, they're quite surprised to hear that we're actually undergoing this comprehensive review of all our bylaws that are going to affect them and their properties," said one visitor. "So I guess I'm questioning the effectiveness of the information that's been out there."

"I actually hear what you're saying," said Moffatt. "This has been going on for more than a year. It [comprehensive zoning bylaw review] happens every five years, and we sit here every other Thursday and nary a

soul darkens the door. We have meeting after meeting about budgets and no one ever comes, so as incumbent as it is upon us to provide the information to the public, it is equally as incumbent upon the public to avail themselves of it."

Moffatt noted that in addition to using information methods already mentioned, the township regularly posts agendas and public meeting notices online and residents can also contact clerk Dawn Newhook to be included on her e-mail distribution list for notice of agenda postings.

The bylaw draft is available for review on the township website. The Sept. 19 public meeting will take place at 9 a.m. in the council chamber at 1123 North Shore Road.

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Meetings and Events

August 22

7:00 pm, Gelert, Irondale & Lochlin Advisory Committees combined meeting, Irondale Community Centre

August 26

8:30 am, Disaster Relief Committee meeting, Minden Hills Cultural Centre, Common Room

August 29

9:00 am, COTW/Regular meeting of Council, Minden Council Chambers (public session 10:00 am)

7:00 pm, Irondale Community Centre Advisory Committee meeting, Irondale Community Centre

September 2

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Youth Culture Club

Thursdays 10:30 am-3:30 pm in July and August
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This program is for kids to enjoy a number of activities includes visual art and heritage. New! An outdoor education component. The morning will involve hands-on arts/crafts activities instructed by a qualified art teacher. The afternoon will be mostly outdoor games and activities.

Pre-registration is required for all children's programming. Please call 705-286-2808.

Curling Clinic

Monday August 26th from 5:00-7:00 pm there will be an introductory Curling Clinic for children between 9 and 10 years of age at the SG Nesbitt Arena. This 2 hour clinic will highlight the basics of curling. All equipment will be provided except footwear. Please send your child with clean indoor sport shoes (there cannot be any rocks or dirt in the treads) and dressed in comfortable, loose clothing (no jeans).

The cost of this clinic is \$10 and pre-registration is required as there are limited spaces available.

If you are interested in signing your child up please contact Elisha Weiss at 705-286-2298.

Doors Open

On September 7th and 8th Haliburton Highlands-Minden Hills will be hosting a "Doors Open" Event. Every year this event attracts residents and visitors across Ontario who are invited to discover hidden heritage treasures, some of which have never been open to the public. Come and enjoy a weekend exploring a number of studios, historical buildings and natural landscapes that make up our spectacular county!

Volunteers are needed with this event. To find out how you can help please contact Elisha at 705-286-2298

For more information on this event please check out www.doorsopenontario.on.ca

Consumer Survey Public Consultation

Come and learn more about the results of the consumer survey and share your thoughts and opinions about shopping in Minden Hills.

There will be a public consultation on **Tuesday August 27th** from 7 pm to 9 pm at the Minden Hills Community Centre located on the main floor (rear of building) at the S.G. Nesbitt Memorial Arena (Scout Hall) at 55 Parkside Avenue, Minden, Ontario.

If you wish to learn more about the project please contact the U-Links office at 705-286-2411.

Public Skating

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Attention: Nancy Wright-Laking, CAO/Clerk/EDO

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Vandals use food to attack Minden school and homes

By Mark Arike
Staff writer

Police continue to investigate numerous incidents of mischief in Minden that involved a variety of food products being thrown at homes, bicycles and school buildings.

"We're still investigating," said Constable Paul Potter, community services officer for the Haliburton Highlands OPP. "We've got an ongoing file, but we don't have any information as to who's doing it."

Between May 11 and July 30, police investigated a total of nine incidents at or near the area of Archie Stouffer Elementary School. Some of the food products used in the crimes include eggs, beans and soup.

It doesn't appear that the buildings have been damaged, but the mess left behind has created an inconvenience for others.

"I don't believe there's been any damage as of yet," said Potter. "However, the other point to look at is that there's a cost for clean up, whether it's personal property or whether

it belongs to the Trillium Lakelands District School Board."

The motive behind the acts of mischief is unknown at this time, said Potter. Police also don't know if one or more individuals have committed the crimes.

"It's kind of interesting that people have enough money to throw food around all over the place," he said.

A recent attempted break-and-enter that occurred at the Canadian Tire in Minden isn't believed to be connected to the incidents of

mischief, said Potter.

"We don't believe it's linked. It's quite different than throwing food products."

The OPP is asking anyone with information to contact Constable Leach at the Haliburton Highlands detachment at 705-286-1431.

Those who wish to remain anonymous can call Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477) or visit www.khcs.ca.

Crime Stoppers will pay a cash reward of up to \$2,000 for information that leads to an arrest.

Police investigate cause of accident after officer drives into marsh

By Matthew Desrosiers
Editor

An OPP officer is being investigated after she drove her car off the road responding to a call.

On Aug. 11, officers responded to a motor vehicle collision at approximately 6:15 a.m. on County Road 121. Constable Paul Potter, community services officers with the OPP, said the driver of the vehicle had crawled out of her truck and walked down the road, bloody.

"Our guys [went] flying out there," he said. Because dispatch used the victims cell

phone signal to determine her location, the responding officers were told the scene was two kilometres further up the road than it actually was.

"Our [officers] thought [the scene] was a ways down the road," Potter said. "They came over a hill and everybody's right there and the road is blocked."

Constable Cassie Lee was driving a police stealth cruiser. She took evasive action upon reaching the scene to avoid colliding with the emergency crews and ended up in a swamp.

"She was fine," he said. "The car is a little banged up."

Potter said police officers have to use their

discretion when responding to calls.

"We all know as officers, we're obviously responsible and accountable for anything that happens," he said. "As a police officer, you can go as fast as you need to go, however if something happens you have to be justified in what you're doing."

Officers are held accountable if they hurt or kill another person, and cannot use responding to a call as an excuse.

"Up here, it's tough," Potter said. "It's windy roads, lots of hills and lots of wildlife. [We're] trying to get there fast, but we have to get there safely."

Potter said the incident was the result of a

"perfect storm" of circumstances and that it was nobody's fault, however an investigation is always launched when police vehicles are involved in an accident. Information from Lee's cruiser, including speed, braking and all actions, can be downloaded from a computer box in the car similar to an aircraft's black box.

Potter said the investigation is not conducted by an officer in the same detachment, and that there could be disciplinary action if it's found to be appropriate.

"Officers often get charged," he said. "It happens frequently when responding to calls. We're definitely held accountable."

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Highlander business

Step of Grace helps woman transform her life

By Mark Arike
Staff writer

Ever since Louise Ewing suffered a compression fracture in her back at the age of 16, she's dealt with pain and several adverse health effects.

"Over time, it's become more and more problematic," said Ewing, who has battled obesity for most of her life.

This past spring, the Haliburton resident decided it was time to take her health into her own hands. Through her acquaintances, Ewing learned about Step of Grace (Post Rehab Conditioning Clinic), a new business located in the Haliburton Creative Business Incubator (HCBI).

"I was driving by here all the time and I saw that they were moving in," she said. "So I just joined."

Founded by certified personal trainers Jane Schmidt and Heather Seabrooke, Step of Grace provides specialized exercise programs to individuals who have been released from a medical professional, are preparing to undergo joint replacement surgery or are perhaps dealing with chronic issues such as back pain, arthritis and diabetes.

"We believe that everyone can exercise; it's just a question of how," said Schmidt. "Our clinic is about helping the individual with the how."

The goal of Step of Grace is to advance clients to a point where they are able to get back into programs in the community like yoga, tai chi, active aging classes or a local gym.

"We're not dealing with them in the acute phase," she explained. "It's when they've been through the system... they've had their knee surgery, they're nine weeks post-op now and are released from physio[therapy]. If they just go back to a regular lifestyle, we've seen what happens – they regress."

Through a combination of exercise and a healthy diet, Ewing has managed to lose 40 pounds and 20 inches, and reduce the amount of blood pressure medication she has to take.

"For me, that's huge," she said. "I've lost weight twice in my life and both times I've had to starve."

Under Schmidt's supervision, Ewing works out three times per week at the incubator. Her program is comprised of weights and cardio routines.

"I hated exercise – but I love it now."

Ewing also enjoys being able to workout without having to be in pain.

"I've never hurt while I'm doing it and I never hurt after I've done it in a day."

Ewing plans to continue going to Step of Grace because she needs the ongoing motivation. She also likes to socialize with those who have been part of her transformation experience.

"I live alone during the week, so I get to see people and talk to people."

In the future, Schmidt would like to develop a strong partnership with the local hospitals.

"What we always say is, our ultimate goal is to be right at the hospital. It's not unheard of."

According to the company, Step of Grace



Photo by Mark Arike

Haliburton resident Louise Ewing enjoys one of her exercises at Step of Grace Post Rehab Conditioning Clinic.

is a "complementary step in the health care system for Haliburton County."

"It's proactive, preventative health," said Schmidt. "The number one prescription, apparently, for doctors today is supposed to

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What'sUp

Review: the 149th Haliburton County Fair

It's a remarkable achievement in any community when an event continues for over a century.

Next year will mark the sesquicentennial of the Haliburton County Fair, which is held annually at the Minden fairgrounds. Over such a period of time there are all kinds of problems to overcome, but despite being somewhat short-staffed this year the committee and a cadre of zealous volunteers pulled it off again, and the fair was a smile-inducing pleasure to all those who attended.

August 17, when most of the activities took place, was perhaps the finest day of the summer, with brilliant blue skies and nary a cloud in sight. Some organizers wondered whether the fabulous day might keep people on the docks or in the water, but it transpired their fears were groundless as the fair was well-attended.

Several years ago, when the event was getting a bit stale and numbers were down, it was decided to make the fair a more family-oriented happening. Organizers decided to do away with the midway. It was a very nervy decision because traditionally the carnie aspect, with all the noise and glitter that comes with Ferris wheels and carousels, is what many people associate with fairs.

Instead what the committee decided to do was create a more traditional country fair, one which would focus on the likes of



Photo by George Farrell
Kids learn about furs at the Haliburton County Fair.

produce booths, farm animals, craft, baking, horticultural displays, a photo contest, country music, horse shows, lawnmower pulls, and sheep shearing exhibitions.

Specifically for the kids and the young at heart, the fair now features paint ball games, mechanical bull riding, a climbing wall, a circus obstacle course, bounce castle and a four in one bouncer. The bouncers simply depend on air-filled rubberized forms to maintain bounce, so yes, the fair has gone greener too.

The classic car show is always a success, and the classics, which due to red tape have been shunted from the streets of Minden,

found their place at the fair where they were oohed and ahed over by young and old aficionados.

All the senses are at work at a good country fair, and mixed in with the heady aromas of sheep, cattle, horses and hay, my olfactory organs deciphered the tang of people food. Food was in abundance, with breakfast available for the early birds and items like pulled pork and beef on a bun available later on, to be consumed by some with a brew in the hospitality tent.

At one booth I picked up a container of garlic scape lemon pesto and a chickpea mint and parsley spread, which I know from previous experience are wonderful taste sensations.

The sounds of the fair (no longer dominated by the tinny, overbearing midway music) were also prevalent. Mooing cows, bleating sheep, and whinnying horses of all sizes were orchestrated, seemingly by osmosis, into the country music offerings on stage. I'm not a big fan of country music, but truth

be told what I heard on Saturday might change my thinking, as three young women who looked to be in their teens, and one young man, showed remarkable dexterity on their instruments and especially in their vocal harmonies.

For those who wonder what all the fuss is about regarding BMX stunt shows, the kids on their bikes at the Haliburton County Fair quickly showed them what it was all about with their incredible agility. Gaining great height from upward-curving ramps, the bikers performed manoeuvres such as upside down flips, where they were outlined against the blue skies, accompanying the ubiquitous RE/MAX hot air balloon in the distance.

Oh, I didn't mention the 50/ 50 and meat prize tickets draws, the always popular sled championship horse pulls featuring those huge Belgians, and then, to end the fair on an upswing, there was the always popular and raucous demolition derby.

The Haliburton County Fair is a significant part of our culture and history, so if you've never been you owe it to yourself and your family to attend next year's 150th edition. It's truly a family affair where all activities are free once you're in the grounds.



By George Farrell



The Township of Minden Hills and the
Township of Algonquin Highlands — 2013



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The event raised \$5,500.00 for the MINDEN FLOOD RELIEF PROGRAM

Highlander arts



Photos by Mark Arike and Matthew Desrosiers

Lighthouse rocked the Historic Logging Museum during the 2013 Forest Festival. Inset: Donnell Leahy performs at the Bone Lake Amphitheatre with his wife Natalie McMaster.

Forest Festival sets attendance records

By Mark Arike
Staff writer

It's a new record for The Forest Festival: four sold-out shows in five nights.

"We sold-out two last year – [John] McDermott and [Jim] Cuddy," said Sean Pennylegion, general manager of the festival.

The five-day festival, which ran from Aug. 14-18 at Bone Lake Amphitheatre and the Historic Logging Museum (both venues owned by the Haliburton Forest), brought a variety of Canadian talent to the Highlands.

This year's sell-outs included Natalie MacMaster and Donnell Leahy, Lighthouse, Murray McLaughlan, and The Good Lovelies.

In Pennylegion's experience, this was one of the more complex festivals due to the production requirements for the concerts featuring MacMaster and Lighthouse.

"They needed additional rental gear," he explained. "Lighthouse needed a much larger stage than we have. So we stepped out of our norm for those two shows, but that kind of influenced the way we dealt with the other ones, too."

Pennylegion said the 50 volunteers who worked quietly behind-the-scenes were the key ingredient to the success of the festival.

"I just can't say enough about how smooth everything went – from the parking to the merchandise, to the ticketing, to the gate, to the concessions... those people have been

at it for a while and they are a well-oiled machine."

The weather also cooperated for all four of the outdoor shows, which were held at Bone Lake.

"There was no doubt that we were going to be able to do all of our lake shows, and we knew that well in advance. That takes some of the uncertainty out of things."

After five years as the festival's manager, Pennylegion announced he would be stepping back from the paid position.

"I had told them [the organizing committee] in the spring that we'd need to think about getting someone to replace me."

Although Pennylegion has thoroughly enjoyed the experience, he admits that the

position is very time-consuming.

"I just want to be able to have some downtime."

Local resident Lesley English, who has an extensive background in the arts, has agreed to fill Pennylegion's shoes.

"She's going to be the manager as of Oct. 1. She and I have had a couple of meetings already."

But this doesn't mean that The Forest Festival will be a distant memory for Pennylegion. He plans on joining the team of volunteers at the seventh annual event.

"I'm going to apply to Maria Paterson [volunteer coordinator] very soon for a job," he smiled. "And I'm quite looking forward to it."

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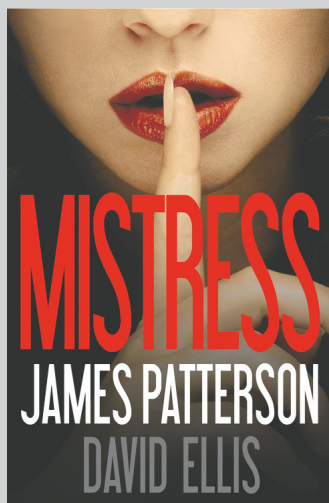
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Haliburton County's Hot Reads

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HCPL's TOP FIVE FICTION

1. *Mistress* by James Patterson
2. *Stranglehold* by Robert Rotenberg
3. *And the Mountains Echoed* by Khaled Hosseini
4. *Inferno* by Dan Brown
5. *Stranded* by Alex Kava

HCPL's TOP FIVE NON-FICTION

1. *The Spark: a mother's story of nurturing genius* by Kristine Barnett
2. *Wave: a memoir* by Sonali Deraniyagala
3. *Lean In: women, work, and the will to lead* by Sheryl Sandberg
4. *Happy Money: the science of smarter spending* by Elizabeth Dunn
5. *The Boys in the Boat: nine Americans and their epic quest for gold at the 1936 Berlin Olympics* by Daniel Brown

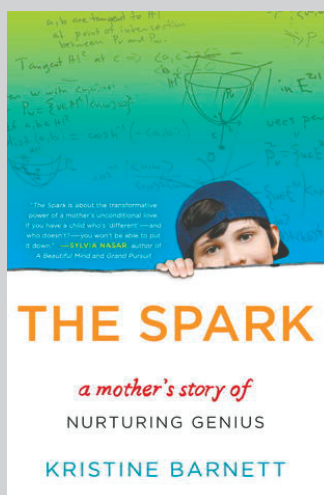
The tsunami of Dec. 26 2004, which devastated the South East coast of Asia, resulted in the deaths of Sonali Deraniyagala's parents, husband, and two young sons. In *Wave* Sonali describes for readers in unflinching and beautifully poised language the horrors of the tsunami, and the long journey she has undergone to balance the unbearable reminders of her loss and her need to keep her family, somehow, still alive within her. *Wave* is available to reserve in both print and e-book formats from the Haliburton County Public Library.

Library News

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On Aug. 22 from 3-4:30 p.m. the Shakespeare and Theatre Club is meeting in the Howard Roberts Room of the Dysart Branch to discuss power and power structures in Shakespeare's plays.

The Haliburton County Seed Library is a free community project which encourages residents to grow some of their own food, to save their own seeds, and to share their seeds and knowledge with others. On Aug. 28 from 6-8:00 p.m. a meeting will be held in the Dysart Branch detailing how to save difficult seeds.



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Highlander arts

Local artist garners international attention

By Will Jones
Contributing writer

Imagine the dust, dirt and back-breaking toil of working in a coal mine. Then consider the potential of this fossil fuel – the warmth and the energy produced from it. Think of the wealth and riches that coal brought to mine owners, then the hardship and poverty heaped upon entire rural communities when the mines ceased to be profitable and were closed down.

These images, these dilemmas, lie at the heart of a group of paintings by local artist Gary Blundell, who struggles with the ‘heaven and hell’ of coal mining in his exhibition, Bituminous Illuminations.

Showing at the Rails End Gallery in Haliburton Village until Oct. 12, before being shipped to the United Kingdom for a year-long international tour, the exhibition is the culmination of four years of work for Blundell. His collection of 23 paintings was produced following an artistic residency in Yorkshire, England, in 2011 and 18 of them are currently on display at the Rails End Gallery.

While in the UK, Blundell visited a number of mines – some working, others now derelict – and was captivated by the textural beauty of these harsh environments, scarred by our insatiable quest for fuel. However, as he walked the mines, often deep underground, Blundell was also struck by the light cast by his

head lamp.

“I was living in the space lit by my lamp,” says Blundell. “The light shone down the tunnel but eventually vanished, dwindling into the blackness. It was as if a metaphor for the end of an era, the illumination dimming as the coal mines close one by one.”

His paintings portray the scarred floors and walls, the drainage ditches and cart tracks hewn from the once coal-rich strata of the Yorkshire mines. Equally they capture the more ethereal sentiment in Blundell’s mind, their lines often receding to vanishing point in exhaustingly beautiful works that speak of the hardships endured by those who worked there just as much as they depict the physical aesthetics of the places themselves.

Blundell achieves this in part by painting on carved plywood, a medium that he has long used to capture geological texture throughout Ontario (check out his website for paintings of mines and mining in Cobalt and Sudbury). His training as a geologist enables the artist to “look differently at the formations, the strata, the natural and manmade patterns; to appreciate the often unseen beauty of the earth.”

As such, the deep grooves that Blundell cuts into his wooden canvases serve to accentuate the textural beauty of his oil on wood works, making viewers want to

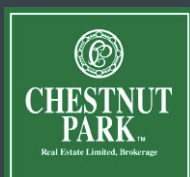


Photo by Will Jones

Gary Blundell has a new exhibition at the Rails End Gallery.

feel as well as look at the paintings. The result is a body of work that is powerful and emotive in an exhibition wonderfully suited to the heritage atmosphere of the Rails End Gallery.

For more information about the exhibition and artist go to www.railsendgallery.com and www.hotspurstudio.com.



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Highlander arts

Summer Festival season a smash hit

By Mark Arike
Staff writer

It's been another successful season for the Highlands Summer Festival (HSF).

"We had five outstanding shows," said Jack Brezina, president of the HSF. "There was a variety of theatrical experiences."

The 14th season opened up on July 1 with Nunsense, a musical comedy about five nuns. Other shows that followed included Our Town, The Sunshine Boys, Bohemians in Brooklyn, and Wingfield's Inferno. Each performance took place at the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion.

"The audiences seemed to love it," said Brezina. "Our percentages were slightly up from last year."

In total, approximately 10 shows were sold-out, he said.

"We were happy all around. I haven't seen the final financial figures, but what I'm getting from my business manager is that it will be a reasonably successful year financially."

Most of the casts featured local actors, while a few roles were filled by out-of-town talent.

People coming to the theatre could see their friends, neighbours, and other people they know, on stage.

Jack Brezina
president,
Highlands Summer Festival

"People coming to the theatre could see their friends, neighbours, and other people they know, on stage."

The festival also fulfilled one of its other mandates, which is to include youth.

"Our Town had five or six kids in it, and there were a lot of young people working back stage and at the front-of-house."

Brezina confirmed that Scot Denton will once again be the artistic

director for next season. The season line-up will be determined over the next couple of months and released to the public sometime in November, when the season pass sale starts.



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Haliburton County Fair



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Meet me at the fair

The crowds came out on Aug. 16 and 17 for the 149th Annual Haliburton County Fair. Events included live entertainment, horse shows, kids activities, a BMX display, wood carving, a classic car show, and more. While on the Minden fairgrounds, visitors browsed wares on sale by various vendors, ate a variety of foods, or just wandered and enjoyed the displays. Pictured above: A BMX rider does a backflip to thunderous applause from the crowd. Left: A pony show. Far left: Visitors to the fair could take turns riding in the Re/Max air balloon.



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Top: A young lad bounces through one of the inflatable castles at the fair. Above: A team of horses strains to complete their pull during the horse pull competition. Left: Evan Jones, 5, receives some assistance on his way up the climbing wall.

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Diane Dollo, right, helps her granddaughter Sofie Mills decorate a doll.

Kids delight in arts and crafts

By Mark Arike
Staff writer

It's a chance for kids to have fun and get creative while being active participants in the Haliburton County Fair.

"The purpose [of the event] is to get the kids interested in the fair," said event organizer Ira Kellett.

Between Aug. 16 and 17, kids from preschool up to Grade 9 made their way to the curling club in Minden for the 7th annual Junior Fair Day Camp. Through the camp, kids were given the opportunity to come up with a variety of creations – made from donated, recycled materials – that were entered in the Haliburton County Fair.

The camp is completely free-of-charge.

"We started seven years ago," said Kellett, who ran the event with the help of Pam Weiss and about 10 volunteers. "The junior fair was dying, there were only about three or four people taking part. So it was a matter of do we drop the junior fair or do we do something with it. So we thought, why don't we try a camp?"

The first camp was held at the old Minden Times building (now home to Organic Times) on Bobcaygeon Road, said Kellett. Since then, the program has grown significantly.

"We had 14 people in the first year. The second year we had 24. The third year we had 50."

Two years ago, attendance hit an all-time high with 80 kids.

With 47 kids out on the first day of the

event, Kellett expected to reach or exceed that number.

Cottager Carolyn Gall Casey first brought her two daughters to the camp seven years ago. Now they help out the younger participants, many of whom are coming out for the first time.

"A lot of the kids – like my kids who started seven years ago – are now buddying up with the little kids to help them do crafts and learn about the fair," said Gall Casey.

As one of the camp's volunteers, Gall Casey has seen kids from various places come to the event.

"I've seen a family now here three years in a row. Grandparents will bring their grandkids for something fun to do when they spend weeks at the lake," she said.

For her, it's very rewarding to see the children's faces light up after they've completed their entry.

"It's so exciting to see the kids participate, make stuff and get their entry tags."

Kellett says that gate fees at the fair have increased because kids want to show their family members what they made at camp.

"It really is working," she said.

Two judges will decide on the winners in each age category. Those who come in first, second, third and fourth place will receive a ribbon for their achievement, and small cash prizes will also be awarded. Each child with an entry will receive a participation ribbon.

As for future day camps, Kellett is encouraging others to volunteer and support the initiative however they can.

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Above: Program instructor Allie Goulding gives Sophie Graham her School's Cool graduation certificate. Above right: School's Cool graduate Violet Porter gets comfortable after receiving her certificate.



It's cool to prepare for school

By Mark Arike
Staff writer

Several local children will be ready to walk into the classroom come September because of their enrolment in the School's Cool program.

On Aug. 13, 33 kids graduated from the school readiness program at two ceremonies – one at J.D. Hodgson Elementary School in Haliburton and the other at Archie Stouffer Elementary School in Minden.

"We've had a fantastic time in our program this year," said instructor Allie Goulding at the ceremony held in Minden. "We've done lots of math skills, lots of language skills – but we mostly focus on our social skills."

School's Cool provides children between the

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MPP Laurie Scott attended the graduation in Minden and spoke highly of the program.

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Down our Road Dad's vacation



By Sharon Lynch

"Well summer is just about over." Every year their mother's words announcing the start of August cast a shadow over the sparkling lake, the marshmallow fires and hopes for a really good (finally) tan on Sofia and her sisters' city-white legs.

August was in some ways the best half of summer, their mother notwithstanding. The girls had settled into a rhythm of swimming, skiing and lying on the dock with the ease of bass slipping in and out of the shadows under the boat house. Books were savoured in the hammock for hours with no one keeping track of passing time. Berries of various kinds were picked and eaten while the hot August sun readied them for a jump into the lake.

And one of the highlights was having their father around for fourteen days in a row rather than just on weekends. He always took the last two weeks of August for his vacation, though it was not what most people would call a holiday. It was during this time that decks were built or repaired, stone walkways constructed, and sheds roofed. One August the tiny ancient cottage kitchen was renovated and the year before two bedrooms had been insulated.

In between all this their father somehow managed to squeeze in time to take them skiing in big circles around the bay or fishing in the little row boat after supper. No doubt these brief respites were his real vacation, scattered between the projects that had been piling up all summer. It only took a day or two for his skin to turn a dark honey colour, and strips of light to touch his hair. Anyone seeing him would think he had been lazing by the water for two months.

He began every day with a quick dip in the lake before breakfast, the early morning mist hanging gently over the water as he slid in and briefly disappeared from sight. Minutes later he emerged like a wet seal, shaking the water from his hair before toweling himself down and climbing back to the cottage.

After breakfast there was always a list that ran forever of things needing done. Sofia never heard him protest though she wondered what was said once the children were in bed. Lunch time gave him a break, sometimes with another quick lake dunk if it was a hot and hazy day before

he went back at whatever he was working on. If they were lucky, by mid-afternoon they might all head for the boat to do some skiing before dad finished up his day's project and got ready to barbeque supper.

He never was very good at this part. The burgers and occasional steaks were usually over-cooked and dry as a bishop's sermon. But with enough ketchup, onions and tomatoes and the seasoning of outdoor air, all was consumed with relish and not a word of complaint. And who could find fault with this man sporting a ridiculous chef's hat and gag apron one of his daughters had given him for his birthday? The day's sun was etched on his face and the grin of a happy family-man spread across his features.

The last half of August was also the time Sofia's uncle, her dad's brother, travelled to his own family cottage about an hour's drive up the highway. The two brothers lived in separate provinces making it difficult for them to connect in the days before internet and cheap long distance phone rates. So one day a year Sofia and her sisters swam with their cousins, ate different food and gorged on pop and ice cream.

Sofia never understood why the adults were content to sit under the pine trees drinking and talking heatedly about politics and art when they could be diving off rocks or exploring sandy coves. These were the times her father became a different person. He was a brother, a raconteur and a provoker. Goading his sibling, laughing at what made no sense to Sofia, his head was thrown back in mischievous abandonment so different from the predictable hard worker she knew.

The last few days of her dad's vacation were busy with end-of-summer closings and preparations for a return to the city. Soon the hot August days and cool nights would seem to be part of another life. Her dad would once again don his business suits and add more wrinkles around his eyes. But for a brief time each year he had his own version of a vacation.



Photo submitted by Laura Kirkpatrick

Community Care helps celebrate 102nd birthday

Marjory Peel has turned 102 years old. Staff, family and friends celebrated her birthday on Aug. 19 at Community Care Haliburton County, where Peel has been a client for over 20 years. She participates regularly in the social recreation program. Laura Kirkpatrick, community outreach youth intern with the organization, said Peel is a great example of an active senior in the community.

Highlander life

Dam rededication

By Matthew Desrosiers
Editor

For an hour, Haliburton Village looked like it did 149 years ago.

Community members gathered, many in clothing circa 1864, to celebrate the rededication of the Emmerson Dam on Aug. 16.

"This is a proud day, not only for myself but for the community and my family and all the people who have contributed to this historic restoration of the dam," said Kim Emmerson, owner of the dam.

The original structure, then made out of wood, was built back in 1864 when Haliburton's first settlers constructed a saw mill along the river. The following year, 1865, they built a grist mill. These two things were essential for a new community.

The dam was reconstructed by Emmerson's grandfather, W.O. Bailey, in 1946.

Murray Fearrey was in attendance and spoke about the craftsmanship behind the dam.

"Those people [in 1946] had a lot of energy," he said. "What a great structure. It stood for 67 years and it also stood through the 100-year storm this year, so well done."

Fearrey said taking on the restoration of the dam was a big project for Emmerson, who got started nine years ago.

"This was an unbelievable task for him," he said. "On behalf of Dysart council I want to say thank you for the work you've done."

Emmerson was awarded a plaque from the Municipality of Dysart et al, thanking him for preserving an important part of local history.

"This dam was part of the social fabric of the community," Emmerson said. "With these repairs, it should last another 100 years for future generations to enjoy."

After the ceremony, Emmerson, his family, staff and workers recreated historic pictures of the dam.

For more information on the Emmerson Dam, including details on the work that's been done to restore it, see Emmerson revisits dam, The Highlander issue 85, pg. 12.

Information is also available online at <https://sites.google.com/a/emmersonlumber.com/emmerson-dam/home>.



Photos by Walt Griffin and Matthew Desrosiers

Above: Kim Emmerson talks about the history of the dam and the saw mill. Top right: Walt and Valerie Griffin dressed in period clothing. Right: Kim Emmerson, Emmerson Lumber staff, members of the Haliburton Highlands Museum and workers recreate a photo from the dam's history.



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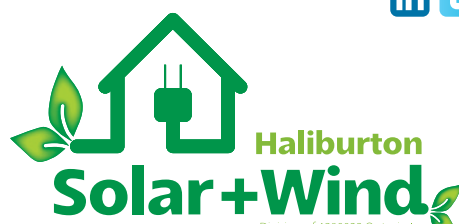
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Top: Andy Glecoff looks on as his wife Sandra hits the ball towards the green. Right: These wire sculptures, created by artist Charles O'Neil, were given out as prizes for the contest holes.

Golf tourney raises \$15k for VDO

By Matthew Desrosiers
Editor

Sponsors, golfers and volunteers came together last week to raise approximately \$25,000 for Haliburton's Volunteer Dental Outreach (VDO).

The golf tournament, held at the Pinestone Resort on Aug. 15, was a success according to VDO chair Janis Parker. She said the organization was hoping to raise between \$20,000 and \$30,000.

"We didn't completely sell out, but ended up with 124 golfers," she said, adding that 144 golfers is a sell-out. "It was a good size. The round went fairly quickly so it



was nice that way."

Parker said there were concerns that donors and sponsors would be tapped out after the Minden Hills flood relief fundraising, but that was not the case. "We [are] very happy."

The VDO has raised half its annual operating budget through this one event. Parker said it takes between \$45,000 and \$50,000 every year to run the clinic. Expenses increase as the organization brings on more dentists and sees more patients.

"We're working very hard to recruit more dentists because we still have a waiting list."

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Highlander sports



Photo submitted by Nick Emsley

Nick Emsley pushes up a hill at the Highlands Nordic race.

Fifth place showing for Emsley

By Warren Riley
Sports writer

For 14-year-old local Nick Emsley, professional mountain bike racing is what it's all about. Emsley consistently ranks near the top in his class and continues to compete against the very best.

What stands out for Emsley is his unique agility and professional racing style. These qualities have caught the eye of other teams that are starting to take an interest in him.

Emsley's last race was at the Highlands Nordic at Duntroon, Ont. for O-Cup #6 on Aug. 18.

"The race at Highlands Nordic was on the Sunday and I placed fifth," said Emsley. "I really enjoyed the course. It was fast. It had some great drops and had some very steep climbs. The weather was perfect for racing and there was a large crowd that came out to watch. I had a great race with a lot of tough competitors."

Recognition comes with talent and outstanding performances. Emsley's continuing success made an impression on another mountain bike club.

"I had a team approach me at the Highlands Nordic," he continued. "They are called the Cycle Solutions/Angry Johnny's which is sponsored by Norco bikes, Louis Garneau and Schwalbe Tires. They selected me because they felt that I would be a good fit for the team and that I have a lot of potential."

"Their team has several of the top riders," he said. "Two members of the team are heading to South Africa this week to compete in the UCI Mountain Bike World Championships in Pietermaritzburg. Being given this opportunity to train with athletes of this calibre has motivated me [even] more than ever to be the best I can."

Even at his young age, Emsley recognizes the importance and long-term impact this invitation could have on his career.

"Being on this team will open up all kinds of opportunities for the future. Sponsored by a company like Norco bikes is a dream come true. I rode one of Norco's prototype bikes that has not been released to the public yet."

"On Sept. 21 I will be riding in a 100-kilometre charity [race] which raises money for the Canadian Mental Health Association. It's the 18th year for the bike race called the Paul's Dirty Enduro and will be the longest race I have ever entered. It will be a big challenge for me as it will take six to eight hours for me to finish. I also hope to be successful in raising at least \$500 for the charity."

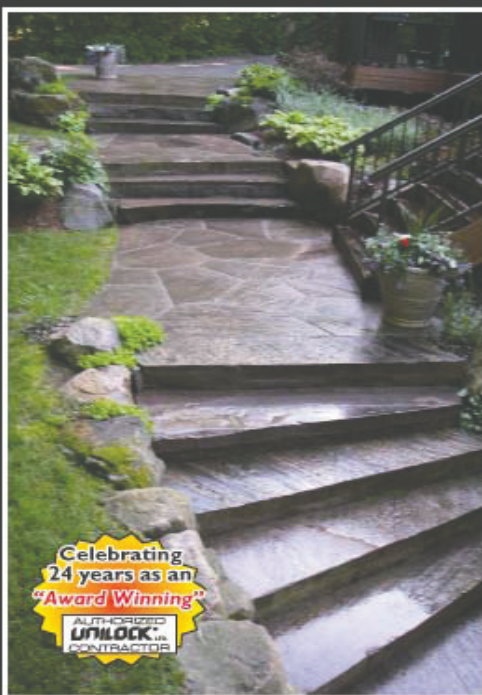
As the mountain bike racing season winds down, Emsley is pleased with this year's performance and his last racing event.

"I'm really looking forward to the final championship race at Horseshoe Valley on Sept. 8."



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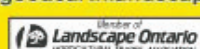
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Highlander sports

Stanhope Firefighters Triathlon raises almost \$6k

By Warren Riley
Sports writer

It was another successful triathlon for Rylie Sloan, president of the Stanhope Firefighters Association. Sloan and his executive pulled out all the stops in coordinating and organizing the annual Firefighters Triathlon which took place on Aug. 17.

"We raised approximately \$6,000 which will go towards [the purchase of] gear and equipment for the fire hall and also our annual children's Christmas party in December," said Sloan.

The triathlon event has been held for the past 17 or 18 years, he said.

"Competitor ages ranged from five to 70. All the kid competitors received a medal and each scored their own victory for themselves."

Sloan was thrilled at the turnout and the enthusiasm each entrant showed.

"This year we hosted 147 competitors for four races in the event. Many people approached me to express the enjoyable time they had [and that] the event was more satisfying than the funds raised."

Organization of the event started back in May 2013.

"Many thanks go out to the volunteers who helped before and during the event," he continued. "This would not have gone forward without their help. Also, hats off to the volunteer firefighters from Stanhope Station 80 who deserve much thanks for their efforts and time sacrificed to present such a



Photo by Mark Arike

Competitors race through Algonquin Highlands.

polished and organized event."

Recognition was also mentioned to the landowners who graciously made their properties available.

"Much appreciation goes out to the local

property owners along our run route, the use of private paths and roadways to complete the circuit that kept the competitors from having to run on the highway. It gave a taste of the area to competitors who don't usually

visit here. From speaking with some of the property owners they enjoyed the race going past their cottages, and the racers appreciated the applause and encouragement they received."



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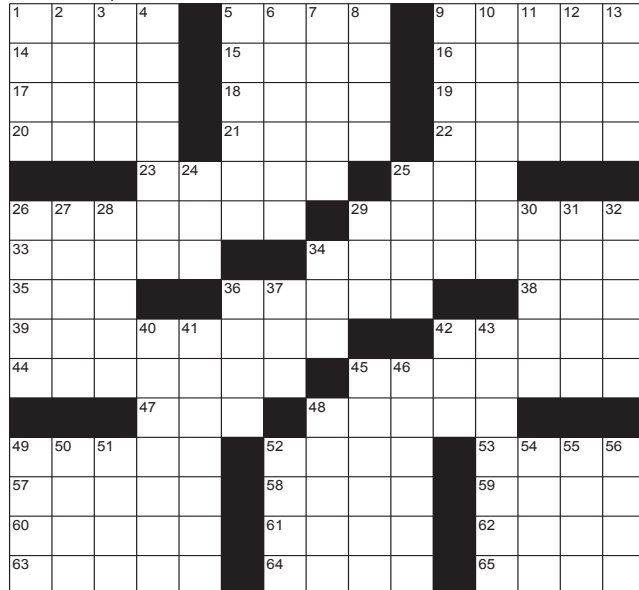


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41. Most unkind
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46. Most senior
48. Gent (sl.)
49. Harmonized
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51. Ponder
52. Fabric joint
54. Imitator
55. Shredded
56. Winter forecast

AUGUST & SEPTEMBER 2013 EVENTS CALENDAR

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Rails End Art Attack for Kids – Rails End, 11-12:30 p.m.		Library Launchers auction and BBQ – Wilberforce Curling Club, 5 p.m. Music by the Gull – Custom Blend, popular and traditional folk group, 7 p.m. until dusk. Bring a lawn chair! Cribbage - (every Friday) - Community Care @ 1 p.m., 705-457-2941.		Mega sale & bake sale – Minden United Church, 9-1 p.m. Call 705-286-3026. Garlic Fest – Country Bakery in Camarvon, 9-3 p.m. SLACAR Corn Roast – The Moore's, 1336 Hamilton Rd. Donations of non-perishable food items for the Minden Food Bank appreciated. Open to all SLACAR members, their families and friends.	
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		Make it Minden , Girl Guide evening - Downtown Minden, 6 p.m. Euchre – West Guilford Community Centre, 7 p.m. Wii Bowling (every Tuesday) - Community Care, 9:00 a.m. 705-457-2941		Community Drum Circle - (every Wednesday) - Rails End Gallery @ 6:30 p.m., 705-457-2330	
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				Haliburton Legion Ladies Auxiliary meeting , 1 p.m. Community Drum Circle - (every Wednesday) - Rails End Gallery @ 6:30 p.m., 705-457-2330 Rails End Art Attacks for Kids – Rails End, 1:30-3 p.m.	
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FRIDAY		SATURDAY		SUNDAY	
Music by the Gull - Serendipity, folk group, 7 p.m. until dusk. Bring a lawn chair! Cribbage - (every Friday) - Community Care @ 1 p.m., 705-457-2941.		Miskwabi Area Community Association workshop for Watershed Plan – Haliburton Library, 9-11:30 a.m. Property owners from Long, Miskwabi, Negaunee and Wenona Lakes and backlot owners are welcome to attend.			
30		31		SEPTEMBER 1	
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Highlander events



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Garlic grower Doug Nash talks to visitors while giving braiding demonstrations at last year's Garlic Festival.

Giving the gift of garlic

By Mark Arike
Staff writer

Many of Haliburton County's garlic growers will gather in one place on Aug. 24 for the sixth annual Garlic Fest.

"A good variety of products are going to be featured," said Sheila Robb, president of the Haliburton County Garlic Growers Association (HCGGA), a not-for-profit organization. "The majority of our vendors are either from Haliburton County or an adjoining township. However, we do have a couple of vendors from other areas as they do not compete with our local vendors."

This year's event will feature 22 vendors, which according to Robb is an increase from last year.

"We're up about four or five [vendors]," she said.

Five of the vendors grow and sell garlic while the rest offer other products such as homemade jams, honey, and arts and crafts. Special vendors will include representatives of St. Peter's Church, who will be selling raffle tickets for two handmade quilts, and Extencicare Haliburton with raffle tickets for various prizes.

Now that Minden Hills is no longer fundraising for the flood relief fund, organizers are deciding what group or cause they want to support.

"We believed that our fest would provide a good venue for fundraising due to the hundreds of people that attend each year," said Robb.

Local musicians, such as the Hot Flashes and Cold Shoulders, have agreed to

perform and waive their fee in lieu of donations.

Over the past five years, the Garlic Fest has been held on property belonging to Carnarvon Bowl. While the location was ideal, it didn't leave much room for growth, said Robb.

"Holding the fest in a different location was necessary as we are expanding the number of vendors and needed more space."

This year's event will be held on the grounds of The Country Bakery – practically a stone's throw away from the event's former location. It runs from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

According to their website, the HCGGA was formed in 2008 by a small group of local garlic growers who were inspired by what Robb and her late husband, Charlie, had done to raise awareness about growing garlic in the county.

On Aug. 23, 2008, the group hosted their first Garlic Fest, which was attended by 500 people.

After helping organize the event for all these years, Robb seems to know what works and what doesn't.

"I think the key to success for our annual fest is it is low-key, there aren't any big commercial vendors, and it supports local growers and producers."

Robb hopes to see the same success as in previous years.

"We just want to see many, many people come," she said. "It's a terrific event."

For more information about the event contact Robb at 705-489-4201.

COUNTY OF HALIBURTON PUBLIC NOTICE ROAD UNDER CONSTRUCTION

The County of Haliburton Roads Department hereby informs travelers and residents of County Road 1 (Gelert Road) that the road will be under construction on or about August 19 to September 6, 2013.

The affected section of road is 500 metres south of the Hamlet of Gelert. The work to be carried out will include asphalt removal, removal of the existing drainage structure, installation of a new drainage structure, placing granular road base and repaving of the road surface.

The road will be closed for two days during the construction period. The dates will be posted on the detour signs upon confirmation.

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Contact Information

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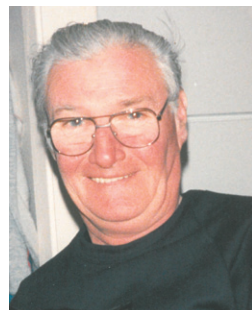
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WHEN: Saturdays - June 15th to October 12th

TIME: 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

OBITUARIES



In Loving Memory of

Lawrence "Larry" McKenzie

Passed away peacefully at Toronto General Hospital on Wednesday, August 14, 2013. At the age of 81.

Beloved husband of Frances "Molly" (nee Stocks) for 60 years. Dear Father of Peter (Cathy) and Paul (Lynda). Loving grandpa of Karen (Nick), Michael, Kelly, Samantha and great grandpa of Jackson. Dear brother of Eileen and predeceased by his sisters Joan and Mary.

In accordance to Larry's wishes, cremation has taken place. Friends are invited to join the family for a Service to Celebrate Larry's Life at the Royal Canadian Legion Branch # 636, Minden, Ontario (#12847 Hwy #35 N) on Saturday, August 24, 2013 beginning at 1:00 pm. Refreshments will be served.

Memorial Donations to the Heart and Stroke Foundation would be appreciated and can be arranged through the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home Ltd., P.O. Box 427 Minden, Ontario K0M 2K0.

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In Loving Memory of

Toos Reid (nee Simons) (1949 - 2013)

Toos Reid passed away at Princess Margaret Hospital on Thursday, August 15, 2013 at the age of 64 surrounded by her family. Toos bravely and courageously battled Acute Myeloid Leukemia for the past 17 months.

Toos is survived by her husband of 40 years Ron Reid, her children Simon (Claire), Jody (Daniel), and Matthew (Lisa), her grandchildren Avery, Oscar, Quinn, Logan, Isaac, and Kaden, and her siblings Joe (Pam), Riet (Harry), Frank (Peggy), Clem (Gary), Ella (Lloyd - deceased), Willie (Dave), Wally (Sue), and Caroline (Dan). Toos' incredible spirit and her ability to live every day to the fullest is an inspiration to us all. Whether you remember Toos as a wife, mother, sister, oma, teacher, singer, songwriter, guitar player, university pal, athlete, competitor, or as a humble, generous person who saw the best in everyone and everything, you know Toos for her positive energy, joie de vivre, faith in god, and her ability to make every situation more fun! Her spirit continues to live on through her children, grandchildren, and all of the people whose lives she has touched!

Thank you for your endless love and continued support through this journey. Thank you to all of the doctors, nurses, and support workers who provided care for Toos especially those at CCAC, HHHS, PMH, and Minden Hospital.

Friends are invited to visit the family at the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home Ltd., 127 Bobcaygeon Rd., P.O. Box 427, Minden, Ontario K0M 2K0 on Monday, August 19, 2013 from 4:00 pm until 7:00 pm.

A Memorial Mass will be held at Our Lady of Fatima Church, 7 Bobcaygeon Rd., Minden, ON on Tuesday, August 20, 2013 at 1:00 pm.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to either H.A.V.E. (helpavillageeffort.org) or the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society through the Light the Night Walk - Team Twinkle Toos (www.lightthenight.ca)

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Highlander events



Photo submitted by Lynda Litwin

Kids try spraying the fire hose.

More people make it Minden

By Matthew Desrosiers
Editor

Lynda Litwin's Make It Minden events have been getting people into town all summer.

The Aug. 14 event, a side-walk sale, was a huge success she said.

"Most of the businesses were open all day long. They had a fantastic turnout during the day. Everyone I talked to was thrilled and said it was the best sidewalk sale they'd ever had."

Litwin said the goal was to get additional business between 6-8 p.m.

"Everybody had a great time."

On Aug. 20, the Minden Hills fire department, as well as the OPP and EMS

services were on hand to interact with the kids and show off their equipment.

"Usually it's a slow start, but [that] night was different," Litwin said. "It was great. The police were there, the ambulance was there. Everybody enjoys that night."

The fire department brought the 'Smoke House', a training tool that teaches people how to deal with a residential fire. It's a trailer complete with fake rooms that fill with smoke.

"It's an amazing piece of equipment," she said. "They were walking the kids right through all the steps of that, which was great."

"Everybody was having a riot with it."

The last Make It Minden event of the year is the Girl Guide's night on Aug. 27, starting at 6 p.m.

War of 1812 film draws a crowd

By Matthew Desrosiers
Editor

There are many misconceptions about the War of 1812.

On Aug. 17, the Minden Hills Cultural Centre showed the *Flames of War* film outside on the walls of the S.G. Nesbitt Memorial Arena. The historical film, about the War of 1812, was shown in partnership with Parks Canada and the Niagara Historical Society Museum, said Darren Levstek, Minden Hills Museum curator.

"It's being pushed by Parks Canada," he said. "It's travelling across the country and making stops wherever they possibly can."

The film was produced in celebration of the bicentennial of the War of 1812, he said. It

complements the museum's war exhibition which is currently open, as well as an upcoming lecture series on the war.

"The lecture series and exhibition are looking at some of the common myths... and misconceptions about the [War of 1812]," said Levstek. "There's actually quite a few."

He said at least 120 people were seated in lawn chairs watching the film, with even more on the hill or in their cars.

"Several people came up to me afterwards and said it was very good," he said. "Certainly it was a well-attended event."

The first lecture in the two-part series is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Sept. 5 at the Minden Hills Cultural Centre common room. For more information, visit www.mindenculturalcentre.com.

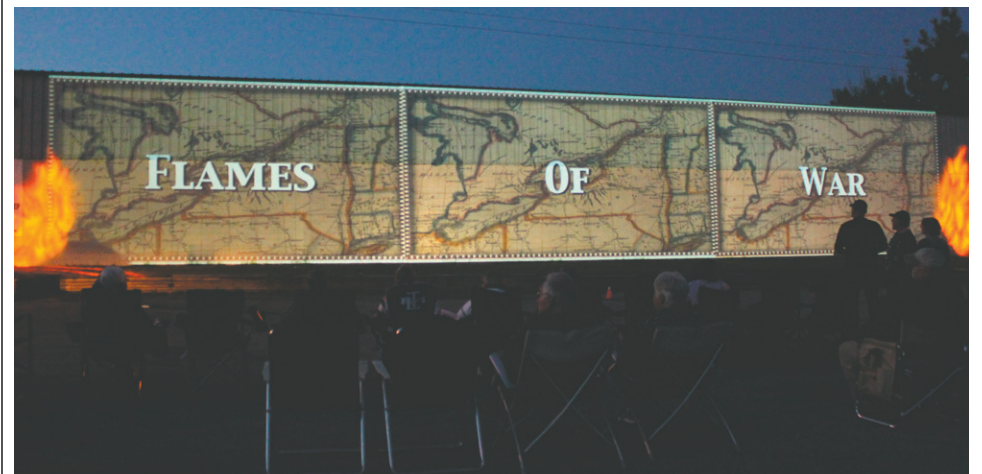


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At least 120 people gathered to watch *Flames of War*, a film on the War of 1812.

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1. File No. SRA-12-03
Part of the original shore road allowance along the shore of Kashagawigamog Lake, lying in front of Lot 31, Concession 6, geographic Township of Minden, designated as Part 2 on a Plan of Survey 19R-9525, registered July 19, 2013.
2. File No. SRA-12-04
Part of the original shore road allowance along the shore of Mountain Lake, lying in front of Lot 6, Concession 8, geographic Township of Minden, designated as Parts 1 and 2 on a Plan of Survey 19R-9521, registered July 10, 2013.
3. File No. SRA-12-02
Part of the original shore road allowance along the shore of Little Boshkung Lake, lying in front of Lot 12, Concession 13, geographic Township of Minden, designated as Part 1 on a Plan of Survey 19R-9528, registered August 1, 2013.
4. File No. SRA-12-08
Part of the original shore road allowance along the shore of Bob Lake, lying in front of Lot 10, Concession 1, geographic Township of Anson, designated as Part 1 on a Plan of Survey 19R-9526, registered July 30, 2013.

The above noted plans of survey are available for inspection in the Building and Planning Department located at 7 Milne Street, Minden, Ontario during regular office hours.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that before passing the said by-laws at the meeting to be held at the time and place noted above, the Council shall then and there, hear in person or by his or her counsel, solicitor or agent, any person who claims that his or her land will be prejudicially affected by the said by-laws and who applies to be heard.

DATED AT THE Township of Minden Hills, this 15 day of August, 2013.

Adam King, M.R.M.
Planning Administrator

Highlander technology

The ComputerGuy Moving installed programs



By David Spaxman

Whenever I sell a new computer to a client they always ask to have stuff transferred over to the new one from the old system. I can transfer over documents, pictures, music, videos, and e-mails.

I also get asked to transfer programs like Office, iTunes or games that they play all the time. Unfortunately that can't be done.

You can't just copy the folders from the old location to the new. You need to perform a complete uninstall and then a reinstall, specifying the new installation location when you set up the program again.

Let's look at why that is and an exception to it.

When the game or program was installed, its setup program wrote information about the software to Windows, the registry, and a few other places. This information is typically used by Windows and by the game or program to locate parts of it, use shared components within Windows, and may even include things like your game's registration information.

Just moving the game's files doesn't change or update any of that information, all it really does is invalidate a lot of it.

Trying to run the program from a new location without that information being correct means the program won't run – in fact it'll probably just crash when you try.

The rule of thumb is actually pretty simple: if you had to run a setup program to install that software, then you need to run that same setup program to either move it or uninstall it and then reinstall it to a new location.

But there's another side of that rule of thumb: programs that don't require a setup.

These applications, called portable programs, don't use an installation program. Instead they just "deal with" the state of the machine when they're run. If something's missing, they'll just create it or update it as needed.

In reality most portable programs try to have as few dependencies on information stored on the computer as possible.

As a result, much of what I said above about programs that use a setup doesn't apply. They will actually react very favourably if you simply move the folder or files.

So if you buy that new computer and want to have your favourite game or program on it, then make sure you have the disc or you're able to download it to install it.

Do you have questions or comments? E-mail me at computerguy@haliburtonhighlander.ca.

Algonquin Highlands gets new high-speed Internet service

By Lisa Harrison
Contributing writer

A deadline set by Algonquin Highlands to reach a final agreement with Highlands Internet Service Ltd. appears to have flipped the switch in the lengthy process.

In June 2012 Dorset-based Highlands Internet proposed routing high-speed Internet service through Huntsville to the Dorset Lookout Tower to provide greater bandwidth for its subscribers in the Kawagama Lake area. The project would also expand the service range in the township.

At the time, Highlands Internet indicated a desire to expedite the process due to subscription growth and subscriber demand.

The proposal was approved with certain conditions and an initial agreement was developed, but at last month's council meeting staff reported the township had received no communications since March.

Council set an Aug. 19 deadline to receive

a signed tower lease agreement. The long-awaited document came to council at its Aug. 15 regular meeting and was approved.

The five-year agreement includes a 90-day trial period clause to ensure the new equipment doesn't interfere with existing equipment on the tower, and a clause rendering the agreement null and void if Highland Internet has not obtained all necessary installation permits within 90 days.

As initially promised, Highlands Internet will also provide, at no charge to the township, high-speed Internet service to the tower gift shop and to a proposed webcam to be located on the tower.

The township agrees the tower has space for transmission in the unlicensed 900 MHz, 2.4-5.7 GHz frequency range. The new antenna(s) will be permitted, subject to wind load and other structural considerations, on the first available position below the township's antenna, which optimizes transmission to the greatest possible number of line-of-sight households and businesses.

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OBITUARIES

Gary Gough

(Resident of Haliburton, Ontario)



Peacefully at Haliburton Hospital on Sunday evening, August 11, 2013 in his 67th year. Beloved son of Florence and the late Melville Gough. Dear brother Jim of Thunder Bay and Rob (Susan) of Dundas. Also remembered by his many nieces, nephews and extended family. Gary retired to the cottage at Drag Lake in Haliburton. He was a fire fighter in St. Catharines for many years.

Celebration Of Life

A Celebration of Life will be held at a later date. As expressions of sympathy donations to the Canadian Cancer Society or the Children's Wish Foundation of Canada would be appreciated by the family. Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the HALIBURTON COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME 13523 Hwy. #118, Haliburton, Ontario (705) 457-9209.



Wilson McElwain

(Resident of Haliburton, Ontario)



Peacefully at Ross Memorial Hospital with his family by his side on Tuesday morning, August 13, 2013 in his 88th year. Loving father of Gerry (Jill), Kim (Rocky), Charlene (Deeno) and Peter (Nancy). Fondly remembered by his grandchildren Jeremy, Ryan (predeceased), Jake, Abbey, Andrew, Lesley, Wendy and by his great grandchildren Ella (predeceased), Cameron, Caitlyn and Kerronia. Wilson will be remembered by his brothers, sisters and extended family. Wilson had a successful career with the Haliburton County Board of Education and was previously involved in the local Forest Industry and was a long time volunteer with Haliburton Highlands Outdoors Association.

Visitation, Funeral Service & Reception

Friends are invited to call at the HALIBURTON COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME 13523 Hwy. #118, Haliburton, Ontario (705)457-9209 on Saturday morning, August 17, 2013 from 10 o'clock until time of Funeral Service in the Chapel at 11 o'clock. Reception to follow in The Community Room. Interment Ingoldsby Cemetery. As expressions of sympathy, donations to the Canadian Arthritis Society or the Haliburton Highlands Outdoors Association would be appreciated by the family.



GRACE DUNCOMBE BOICE



Retired school teacher, World War II veteran, artist, poet, and lover of nature and Redstone Lake, Grace, a long time resident of Haliburton, passed away on August 11 at Lindsay, Ontario in her 100th year.

Grace graduated with honours in English and history from the University of Toronto in 1937. She taught high school in Timmins, Kenora and Waterford, interrupted by a 2 year stint in naval intelligence at Halifax during the war. In 1959 she married Rex Boice and moved to Haliburton with her son, where she continued to teach as a tutor, painted, wrote poetry, volunteered, and contributed many an article to local newspapers. Grace was also an avid hunter along with her husband Rex and the two of them spent much of their time at their cottage on Redstone Lake.

Grace is survived by her son Lon Duncombe (Karen), her grandchildren Amanda Duncombe Lee (Steven), Ian Duncombe (Joanne) and Claire Duncombe, as well as three great grandchildren. She is sadly missed by her step children Carol Duncan (Ted) and Lois Boice (Max) and their numerous descendants, and fondly remembered by her many friends in the community. In memoriam donations to the Haliburton Highlands Health Services would be appreciated by the family.

Cremation has taken place in Lindsay. Grace considered her 95th birthday party to be her 'wake'. There will be a celebration of Grace's life on Saturday, September 14 from 2pm to 4pm at the West Guilford Community Centre, all family and friends welcome.

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